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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

SUBJECT : Executive Order 10450 Procedure

REFERENCE : Memo fr GC to A-DD/A dtd 5 Apr 54, same subject

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1. I am in agreement with your recommendation that CIA [redacted] 25X1A  
[redacted] be revised to reflect the Attorney General's interpretation concerning suspensions in cases considered under Executive Order 10450.

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2. I have forwarded to the Director for his signature the proposed reply to the Attorney General, prepared by your Office. It is requested that you initiate action to have the appropriate revisions made in [redacted] as soon as the Director approves and signs the letter addressed to the Attorney General.

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[redacted]  
L. K. WHITE  
Acting Deputy Director  
(Administration)

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR

The Attorney General has notified us that the Justice Department has revised its previous interpretation concerning the suspension of employees who are issued formal charges under the President's Security Program (Executive Order 10450). The new interpretation requires the suspension of employees when charges are issued to them. They will remain under suspension until, on completion of formal hearings, the Director makes a final decision either to terminate or reinstate the individual.

The Attorney General's ruling does not affect cases handled under your special termination authority, contained in the National Security Act of 1947.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

I recommend your approval and signature on the accompanying proposed reply to the Attorney General, which tells him that appropriate steps will be taken to have our Regulations reflect the new ruling.

L. K. WHITE  
Acting Deputy Director  
(Administration)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director (Administration)

SUBJECT : Executive Order 10450 Procedures

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1. [REDACTED], which sets forth our procedures for applying Executive Order 10450, also cites as a basis for proceedings the Director's authority in the 1947 Act which is parallel to but not controlled by Executive Order 10450. I believe we should accept the Attorney General's guidance insofar as it applies to Executive Order 10450 and should, therefore, amend our security regulations to provide for suspension in all cases considered solely under Executive Order 10450. This leaves us free if the occasion should arise to consider cases under the Director's authority without suspension but would require suspension in all cases going to Security Hearing Boards under Executive Order 10450.

2. I recommend that we proceed to revise CIA [REDACTED] accordingly and that the attached letter be dispatched to the Attorney General.

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LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON  
General Counsel

1 Attachment